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## Stirling Technology Turns 20

*Industry pioneer in clean air technology now 20 years old*

**Athens, OH February 28, 2003**--Stirling Technology, Inc., the small Ohio company that has revolutionized the world of indoor air quality, celebrates its 20th year. Stirling Technology manufactures the RecoupAerator®, America's most advanced home air ventilation system.

"We're quite proud of the progress we've made educating the public about indoor air quality," says President and CEO Catherine J. Chagnot. "When the RecoupAerator® was introduced, we had just emerged from the energy crisis. We had tightly insulated our homes. Few of us were thinking, 'Hey, if my home is so well insulated, how is fresh air getting in?'"

Chagnot pondered indoor air quality one afternoon in the early 1980s as she watched her daughter play in her family's finished basement. "Radon gas had recently surfaced in the news. I thought, 'If there is bad air here, I certainly don't want my child playing in it.'" That day, Chagnot drafted a plan for a ventilation system that would remove stale air and deliver fresh, filtered air throughout her home.

The first RecoupAerator® was sold in 1987. Today, Stirling Technology's indoor air quality engineers are still at the task of informing the public about indoor air quality. Says Chagnot, "We're engineers who are serious about creating the best and most efficient home ventilation for ourselves and for anyone concerned about indoor air quality."

Since its introduction, the RecoupAerator® has, in independent testing, ranked number one among energy recovery ventilators (ERVs). ERVs exchange and filter air while managing indoor air temperature. Part of the RecoupAerator's® superlative success is its "smart" motor, much like the processing chip in a home computer. The programmable smart GE motor maintains balanced airflow, is quiet, and uses very little electricity. The RecoupAerator® is the only ERV in America using this smart motor.

In September 2002, the RecoupAerator® was chosen to be part of a “green” home designed by Carnegie Mellon University architecture students and erected in downtown Washington, D.C. as part of the Energy Department’s Solar Decathlon. Every year, the student competition showcases the best and brightest environmentally friendly and energy-efficient home designs. In February 2003, the RecoupAerator® Window Unit was featured on the popular “Earth-friendly” web site [www.dulley.com](http://www.dulley.com). James Dulley specializes in educating homeowners about energy-efficient building methods and products.

Stirling’s web site ([www.ultimateair.com](http://www.ultimateair.com)) offers a wealth of indoor air quality information, including a free newsletter subscription. The web site also features an extensive library of indoor air quality publications, which explain health risks associated with home computers and electronics, appliances, cooking, mold, and radon among others.

Stirling has always offered free installation support as a service to homeowners and contractors. “We’re thrilled that we’ve helped so many people,” says Chagnot. “When people write to thank us, they say the RecoupAerator® miraculously relieved their asthma and allergies and other problems . . . many people just write to say they feel better.”

Headquartered in Athens, Ohio UltimateAir is the nation's leading manufacturer of Energy Recovery Ventilators, specializing in improving Indoor Air Quality since 1989. To learn more about UltimateAir please visit our web site [www.ultimateair.com](http://www.ultimateair.com).

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